## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Rule 53(b) Divisional Application of:

Yutaka YAMADA et al.

Serial No.: Div. 10/038,908

Group Art Unit: 3743 (Prior)

Filed: June 25, 2003

Examiner: J. C. Yeung (Prior)

For: FLAT HEATING SURFACE TYPE GAS STOVE

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

June 25, 2003

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows: